

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 295  
By Womack

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity award recipients of the Murfreesboro Alumni Chapter for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body honor those people who through their endeavors are credits to their professions and this state; and

WHEREAS, William H. Butler, is one such outstanding person who has served this state with fortitude; and

WHEREAS, in addition to Mr. Butler's work with the Tennessee educational system, he still finds time to lend his incredible talents to such noteworthy causes as the Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Fund of Rutherford County, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., the Board of Directors for the American Heart Association and the Chair of the Wee Care Day Care Center; and

WHEREAS, William H. Butler exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a true Tennessean receiving both his Bachelor's of Science and his Master's Degree from Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, the retired educator is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife of 55 years, Mattie R. Butler, and their six children; and

WHEREAS, this member of Allen Chapel A.M.E is a 33rd degree Mason and a H. Preston Scales Consistory, Hella Temple No. 105-Order of the Mystic Shriners; and

WHEREAS, Emma Roberts is another such remarkable person, a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Robert's meritorious service to education and her devotion to children has gained her recognition as a respected community leader who is greatly admired by students, parents, teachers and administrators; and

WHEREAS, this community leader has served her students with enthusiasm, industry and singular acumen as a classroom teacher, principal, Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator and Director of Pupil Services for 40 remarkable years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roberts is an extremely patient and giving person who motivates students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts. She has labored admirably in the midst of school desegregation and integration to bring about positive social change and to organize community outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, this recognized developer of quality education programs is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and cherish her; she is respected by students and fellow teachers alike, providing leadership on the Elementary Accreditation Committee for the Southern Association Accreditation process in the Southeast; and

WHEREAS, yet another such outstanding person is Robert Winston (Tee-Niny) Scales, Sr. who has served his community with alacrity and acuity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scales demonstrates the spirit and devotion that is characteristic of a great Tennessean having served on the Murfreesboro City Council from 1964 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, "Tee-Niny" is an active and vital part of the community and education profession, participating in such civic organizations as the American Red Cross Board, the Bi-Racial Commission, the Murfreesboro City School Board, the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, the Tennessee Higher Education Commission and the United Way Board, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Bob Scales also takes time from a busy schedule to spend time with his lovely wife, Mary Caruthers Scales, their children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scales' adroit qualities include the uncommon ability to motivate others to fully realize their potential, perhaps the most valuable of all skills; and

WHEREAS, Lydia Elizabeth Jackson Glanton is another example of excellence at its best, demonstrating talents deserving of recognition and acclaim; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study and steady composure, Mrs. Glanton graduated high school early, as Valedictorian of her class; and

WHEREAS, upon her graduation from Tennessee State University she achieved extraordinary professional success, launching a teaching career of 42 years in the Rutherford County School System; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Glanton's teaching career took her to Lascasas, Cedar Grove, Twelve Corner, Smyrna and Rosenwald before the start of integration, which lead her to Walter Hill and Christiana; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Glanton's display of intellectual prowess enabled her to assume several important leadership positions, as president of the Teachers Association, President of the Tennessee Federation of Women's Club, and as a member of the Rutherford County Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Glanton's list of noteworthy achievements include her memberships on the Murfreesboro City Beautification Committee, the Dynamic Club, The Criterion Literary and Art Club and the City Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, Lydia Jackson Glanton shares her success with her husband, Simon, with whom she has owned and operated a local grocery store for 52 years; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend these four esteemed citizens for their dedication to the state of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity award recipients for their service to the state of Tennessee and wish each of them continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That four appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.